(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b). The work of construction of bypass around Indore town from Km 590.228 of Agra Section to Km. 12.6 of Indore-Bombay Section on NH-3 was sanctioned on 26.3.1993 at a cost of Rs. 7343.61 lakhs.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) For the project mentioned above (alongwith four laning between Indore-Dewas on NH No. 3), evaluation of pre-qualified bidders is in progress. Therefore, it is too early to indicate any time frame for the completion of the project.

[English]

Pension of Civilian Defence Employees

2318. SHRI JANG BAHADUR SINGH PATEL : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of civilian employees working in the Defence Headquarters whose pension was delayed in the last three years and the reasons therefor;

(b) the steps taken to overcome those causes and ensure that henceforth there is no hold up in the sanction of the pension;

(c) the number of cases in which the service books were found lost or were incomplete or were not got audited from the concerned audit authorities; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to ensure that service books are kept in proper safe custody, they are completed and got audited from the concerned auditors to check any delay or loss of documents in transit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) and (b) Institutionalised arrangements already exist to ensure release of terminal benefits to retiring persons in time. During the last 3 years 645 defence civilian employees of AFHQ cadre superannuated. Pension payment orders were issued in all cases in time except for one case where delay of 45 days occurred due to breakdown of computer system in the office of Chief Controller of Defence Accounts (Pensions) Allahabad.

(c) and (d). There has been no case where sanction of pension was delayed due to non-availability or non completion of audit of service books in respect of employees of AFHQ cadre. The Service books of these employees are kept in safe custody and there are standing instructions that entries be periodically audited specially in respect of completion of 25 years qualifying service.

[Translation]

Ayurvedic/Unani/Homoeopathic Colleges

2319. VAIDYA DAU DAYAL JOSHI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of Ayurvedic, Unani and Homoeopathic colleges in the country and the annual expenditure incurred on them by the Government; and

(b) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Community Health Centre

2320. SHRI RAMSHAKAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) the number of community health centres functioning in the country, State-wise;

(b) the number of such centres functioning in district Sonbhadra in Uttar pradesh;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up such centres in all the panchayat areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time by which the said centres are likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) A statement indicating the number of Community Health Centres functioning in the country as on 31.12.95 is enclosed.

(b) The Central Govt. does not maintain district-wise details.

(c) and (d). Under the existing scheme, Community Health Centres are set up by the State Governments. On the basis of population norms of 1,20,000 in plain areas and 80,000 in hilly and difficult areas. These are set up under Minimum Needs Programmes.

STATEMENT

Rural Health Division

Community Health Centres in the Country, State wise as on 31.12.95

States		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	46
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	9
3.	Assam	105
4.	Bihar	148